within the jurisdiction of the Maryland Transportation Authority; and requires the Department of Transportation to report to specified committees of the General Assembly by December 1, 2007.

Senate Bill 168, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1559.

Very truly yours, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

House Bill No. 1559

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Weight Violations on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge - Penalties

FOR the purpose of establishing certain fines for certain vehicle weight limit violations occurring on the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial (Chesapeake Bay) Bridge or its appurtenant approaches under the jurisdiction of the Maryland Transportation Authority; elarifying language requiring the Department of Transportation to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to vehicle weight limit violations and fines.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 27-105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

27-105.

- (a) (1) This section applies to any person charged with a violation of the Maryland Vehicle Law for exceeding, as to any vehicle or combination of vehicles:
- (i) The maximum registered weight limit for which the vehicle or combination is registered;
- (ii) Any statutory weight limit set forth in the Maryland Vehicle Law; or
- (iii) The maximum weight limit imposed by signs which have been placed to regulate the weight of any vehicle passing over any bridge or culvert as